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Calling All Contractors Condos Going Up Across the Freeway

by Joanne Huddleston

At nearby Executive Park, work began last month on a large condominium project that will be constructed on a fast-track basis. Its developer Tuntex Corporation has committed, in cooperation with the community's Executive Park Advisory Committee, to local biring goals both for contractors and individual new hires during the course of constructing and advertising the 563 new units and has signed a memorandum of understanding.

This agreement affects residents and contractors from Visitacion Valley, Little Hollywood and Bayview-Hunter's Point. Twenty percent of contracts are to go to minority-owned business enterprises, known as MBEs in the lingo, and 6 percent to women-owned businesses, or WBEs - with preference

ATTENTION 56 RUTLAND BUS RIDERS & INTERESTED RESIDENTS

The SF Muni will be conducting a meeting on Tuesday, December 1, 1992 to discuss the potential reroute of the 56 Ratland.

Changes to the 56-tine essentially to shorten the route somewhat - are being considered to improve the reliability of service. The meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. at the Visitacion Valley Senior Center Dining Room located at 66 Raymond Avenue. Please enter the red bailding located on Raymond Avenue between Alpha and Bayshore. Public comment is invited, for more information please call James D. Lowe or Michael Cronbach 415/923-6100.

given to those from the 94134 and 94124 zip code areas. Also, 50 percent of newly hired individuals will be residents in these two areas, according to the developer and its general contractor, Roberts-Obayasbi. The Visitacion Valley COmmunity Center coordinates the gathering of names for the 94134 area.

Now is the time to spread the word throughout the Valley about the opportunity to compete for work on this large project.

Individual job seekers should fill out the coupon in this issue of the Grapevine. A more detailed application will be mailed to all those on the list. The president of Roberts-Obayashi said on October 14 that jobs will not begin until next March and that his company would not provide job training continued on page 2

CONSERVATION CORPS PROGRAM

Employment & Education Program reaches African-American men 18-21

The San Francisco Conservation Corps has put out a call for African-American men, aged 18 to 21 for their new employment and education program. The program is particularly designed for those adults with an education level below the 7th grade, since they will be working on improving employability through education. The program lasts for one year, and benefits include transportation, medical and dental, support services counseling and education.

In order to get a job in this program, this is what you must do:

- ° REPORT TO FORT MASON AT 7:25 A.M. ON ANY TUES-DAY
- BRING CALIFORNIA I.D. AND SOCIAL SECURITY CARD
- PARTICIPATE FULLY IN EX-ERCISE AND RUN
- INTERVIEW WITH SFCC RECRUITER

Qnalified applicants are hired immediately. This is a good program, so if you are in need of some extra help in getting and keeping a job, this is a great opportunity for you. Conservation Corps "graduates" are considered well trained by most prospective employers...this experience looks great onyour resume.

For information, call (415) 928-7322. The Conservation Corps is located in Building 111, Fort Mason, San Francisco 94123.

BURTON ANNOUNCES CAR JACKING LEGISLATION

Assembly Member John Burton, (D-San Francisco), Chair of the Assembly Committee on Public Safety held a press conference on Thursday, October 15 at the State Building in San Francisco to announce bis 'Car Jacking' legislation.

"This legislation will not only enbance the penalties for this type of robbery, but also make 'Car Jacking' a specific crime in California," Burton said of his legislation.

'Car Jacking' is when a robber typically armed, jumps into a car stopped at a light for example, and literally high-jacks the car and passengers. Incidents of the crime are on the up-swing in California, and many passengers and drivers have been killed.

CITY HONORS LEADERS DURING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

The Commission on the Status of Women bonored several groups and individuals for leadership in the struggle against domestic violence during a City Hall ceremony on October 15, 1992. Mayor Frank Jordan presented proclamations to the San Francisco Domestic Violence Consortium and to the Commission on the Status of Women. Carvi Ito, President of the Commission, then presented awards to Supervisor Roberta Achtenberg; Candace Heisler of the S.F. District Attorney's Office; Sarah Manion of the Junior League of San Francisco; Phil Bronstein of the San Francisco Examiner; August Ruiz of KDTV Channel 14; Freddie Stoots of Rosalie House; Jane Kroesche of Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom; Ken Theisen of Neighborbood Legal Assistance Foundation and to Las Mujeres Unidas y Activas, a group of immigrant women working in the Latino community. Popular San Francisco television personality Sydnie Koharawas the Mistress of Ceremonies at the noontime gathering. Domestic violence is the bigbest category of homicides in San Francisco, accounting for 25% of all homicides. Emergency sbelters for batteredwomen bouse over 375 women per year, yet there is a terrific sbortage of facilities. For information, you may wish to call the Commission on the Status of Women at 252-2570. The number for the Woman Inc. Crisis Line is 864-4722, and the Crisis Line for La Casa de las Madres is 333-1515...both organizations are ready to assist with crisis counseling, referrals and/or shelter.

FIRST DAY ON THE JOB



Front row, left to right, Carrie, Conchita and Marina; rear left to right, Tisha and Photography Instructor Kim Wood posing on the entry steps of Visitacion Valley Elementary School...covering their first story as reporters for the Totally Cool Vine, a project of the Visitacion Valley GRAPEVINE, funded in part by the San Francisco Arts Commission.

ANNE KAARTUNEN LEAVING CAMPFIRE

by Julie Kavanagh

Localleader, Anne Kaartunen, is leaving the Koyuse Campfire Club, which she founded, after more than 7 years as its Director. Themany hundreds of children that she has worked with over these years will surely miss her strong influence in their lives.

It all started with a conversation we had on the day of the Annual Street Fair that year. Anne was expressing frustration that there were no activities for kids in the

Valley. Lagreed, and shared her frustration that there never seemed to be any funding for such programs, and suggested to her (as I'd suggested to many before), thatperhapsshe'd like to volunteer to run a club for kids. Lo and behold, she dio it...and she did it spectacularly well for 7-1/2wholeyears! Speaking with her this afternoonabout the resignation, she told me "It is one of the hardest decisions I've ever had to make", but personal needs require that she move on to other things, at least for the present. We all hope that somedaysoon, Annewill be able to return toworking with her kids. Until then, good luck, good-bye, and THANKS, ANNE KAARTUNEN_from all of us!

Bay Area Excursions



The 9th Annual Marin County Farmers Market Holiday Art & Food Fairs will be every Thursday & Sunday, 8am - 1pm at the Marin Civic Center Fairgrounds, Hwy 101, San Pedro Rd.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE "GRANDPARENTS AND BOOKS" PROGRAM

Older adult volunteers are being recruited for the "Grandparents and Books" Program at the Visitacion Valley Branch of the San Francisco Public Library.

If you are an older adult who enjoys children and would like to assist 2 to 10 bours a week reading and presenting stories to children in the library please call Loretta Dowell, Project Librarian at (415) 337-4790.

Volunteers will be given step by step training by Librarians on how to read aloud and present books to children.

"Grandparents and Books" is funded by a donation through a private foundation.

The Visitacion Valley Branch is located at 45 Leland Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94134, (415) 337-4790.

BOOK REVIEW

Muni Photographs by Jeffrey J. Moreau (Carbarn Press. P.O. Box 1990, Orangeville, CA 95662: 64 pages; \$22)

Serving 21 years as a shopman for the San Francisco Municipal Railway, Moreau snapped hundreds of colorful photographs of City busses, streetcars, cable cars, and trolleys with backgrounds of many familiar local sights.

Moreau was actually able to operate all the vehicles pictured in this full color collection, a treasure for any transit entbusiast interested in the later years of San Francisco's public transportation system.

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exit, San Rafael. Over 50 Artisans will join the 80 regular farmers and specialty food purveyors each Market day.

The 4th Annual Vallejo Certified Farmers Market Holiday Art & Food Fairs will be every Saturday, 9am - 1pm in Downtown Vallejo, Georgia & Sonoma Blvd., off Hwy 780.

The 2nd Annual Old Oakland Certified Farmers Market Holiday Art & Food Fairs will be every Friday, 8am - 2pm on 9th between Broadway & Clay Sts. in Downtown Oakland.

Original hand crafted juried arts & crafts will be presented by local artisans, including, graphics, ceramics, photography, watercolors, batik, jewelry, weaving, woodwork, quilts, dolls, ornaments, leather goods, clothes art, screen printing, sculpture, stuffed animals, ornaments, wooden toys, note cards & calendars, lapidary crystal, musical instruments, furniture, wreaths, oils & herbs and more.

Many specialty holiday foods, such as Jack Be Little pumpkins, winter squashes, pumpkin pies, dried fruits & nuts, gift food baskets and other farm-direct, seasonal, specialty and organic fruits & vegetables, local honey, fresh juices, fresh cut flowers, exotic plants, farmstead cheeses, & hand-made jams will be featured. Specialty food purveyors offering their creations in assorted gift baskets of condiments, sauces, pasta, pasta sauces and more.

The Farmers Market Bakery features fresh baked, organically grown whole grain breads and pastries, cinnamon rolls, home made cookies, scones, croissants, muffins, bagels and more from local bakeries. Hot coffee and cider are also available.

The state-certified Marin, Old Oakland & Vallejo Farmers Markets are projects of the Marin COunty Farmers Market, anon-profit community service since 1983. The Marin Farmers Market is held at the Marin Civic Center every Thursday and Sunday, 8am - 1pm. The Old Oakland Farmers Market is held every Friday, 8am - 2pm. The Old Town Vallejo Farmers Market is held every Saturday, 9am - 1pm. These Markets are open year-round, rain or shine. The Pier 39 & Novato Farmers Markets will re-open in May. For more information, call 415-456-FARM.

Five Years Ago in the Grapevine

NOVEMBER 1987

*After months of proposal writing and painting, the talents of coordinator Jo Tucker. Anne Kaartunen, Pat Crocker, and Mykol Cartor finally culminated with the Library Mural Dedication on November 7th at the corner of Leland Ave. and Desmond St.

*Surveyors were out on Bayshore Blvd, making measurements for a change in the traffic patterns.

*Thanks to a number of public spirited people like Margaret Davila, George Stratos, Al Davila, Lee Stratos, Arkie Mangelsdorf, Bill and Bobby Frazee, and Sam Hummel, ten developmentally disabled youngsters, the Parkside Prominaders, had fun on what was for most of them a first-time-away-from-bome experience in Sacramento at the California State Very Special Art Show where they won third place in the square dance competition.

Letters

Dear Editor:

This is to commend your newspaper for its promotion and coverage of Honor Roll '92: Paint Day on October 3rd and 4th and to sbare a true success story with allyour readers.

This joint venture between the private and public sectors was a smashing success at Visitacion Valley Elementary School in San Francisco. Under the leadership of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, Local 4, the Navy and City Hall, 65 volunteerspainted 16 classrooms at our schools. The children were so impressed and happy to see clean and bright walls when they returned to their classrooms this morning. Teachers will be spending their Social Studies periods this week discussing the merit of this community project and the spirit of volunteerism.

Among our volunteers were Mrs. LouiseRenneandher"PaintBrigade" of 25 City Attorneys and staff, Dr. Bill Marquisofthe City College Board of Trustees, Mrs. Jill Wynns of the SFUSD Parent Lobby, Mrs. Enola Maxwell of the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, Mrs. Nan Neal of the Department of Recreation and Park, Ms. Julie Kavanagh of the Visitacion Valley Community Center and GRAPEVINE with 5 student journalists, numerous parents and neighbors, and of course many of our school faculty staff and upper graders.

This is the celebration of how a community can successfully come together and make a positive contribution to our schools, in these hard economic times and budget cuts. Thankyou again, volunteers, our Cityand our school are very proud of

Sincerely, VincentS. Chao Principal

Condos Going Up

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Some training opportunities are available ahead of time, however, through the nonprofit organization Asian Neighborhood Design (ask for a referral from the Community Center).

Contractors should send a letter or business card to the Visitacion Valley Community Center, 50 Raymond Ave., San Francisco 94134. The general contractor has also promised to advertise bidding opportunities in local papers. The fast-track schedule calls for completion within 30 months.

Tuntex Corporation has also purchased 500 acres to the east of Bayshore and plans to develop the land for retail and/or industrial use once the state's EPA approves decontamination plans for the old railroad site (see Public Notice elsewhere in this issue - ed). Although the memorandum of understanding does not apply to the work on this Brisbane land, our area will be affected directly.

Meetings of the Executive Park Advisory Committee, open to the public, are held each month on the second Wednesday at 6 p.m., 150 Executive

Park Blvd., Room 4200. The next meeting is November 11. To attend, reserve a place by calling 468-6676.

Joanne Huddleston is a member of the Valley's El Dorado School Neighborhood Betterment Council, which meets at the school, 77 Delta Street, at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

HOBBY AND BOUTIQUE SALE

Call now to reserve a booth for the Annual Senior Citizens Hobby and Boutique Sale, to be held Friday, November 6, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Location for the event is the San Francisco County Fair Building, near 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way in Golden Gate Park. Admission to the sale is free, booth cost is \$10.

Besides finding lots of bargains in the new, used, handmade, and collectible sections, shoppers will enjoy free entertainment. Senior services including Podiatry, Senior Escorts, and referral agencies will staff information booths.

All proceeds benefit Senior Citizens' programs. For booth rental or more information, call Nina Turpie at 292-

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

PUBLIC NOTICE

REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION
BAYSHORE RAILYARD
Brisbane, California

For the past several years the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has been investigating soils and groundwater contamination at the Bayshore Railyard owned by Tuntex Properties Inc. (Brisbane). The property is the former location of the Southern Pacific Railyard.

Tuntexhas now prepared a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) outlining the remedial actions proposed for the Baysbore Railyard. Pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) Article 6 Section 15070, DTSC has prepared a Negative Declaration stating that the Remedial Action proposed for the Bayshore Railyard will have no adverse effects on the environment.

A thirtyday comment period for the Remedial Action Plan and the Negative Declaration will be open between October 19, 1992 and November 20, 1992. All comments on the draft RAP and the Negative Declaration, and DTSC's response to these comments, will be included in the first Paradial Action Plan.

included in the final Remedial Action Plan.

A public meeting to present information on the draft RAP and the Negative Declaration will be held:

Thursday, November 5, 1992 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Lipman School Auditorium

Brisbane, California

Copies of the Negative Declaratin and the draft RAP are available for public review at the Brisbane Public Library, 250 Visitacion Avenue, Brisbane. Hours Monday through Wednesday, 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM; Thursday, 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM; Saturday, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM; Friday & Sunday, the library is closed.

Visitacion Valley Community Center, 50 Raymond Avenue, San Francisco. Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM-6:00 PM; Saturday, Sunday and evenings by appointment. Call 467-6400

Interested citizens may submit comments on the Negative Declaration and the draft RAP to the Department of Toxic Substances Control. If you have any questions or comments about the Negative Declaration or the draft RAP please call or write:

James Rios 150 Executive Park Blvd. Snite 4200 San Francisco, CA 94134 (415) 468-6676 Beth Bufton or Shirley Buford Dept of Toxic Substances Control 700 Heinz Avenne, Snite 200 Berkeley, CA 94710 (510) 540-3508

CORRESPONDENCE FROM GENEVA TOWERS

To the GRAPEVINE Re: Geneva Towers Resident Council Geneva Towers Apartments

Attached is a copy of a letter from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This letter clearly defines the position of HUD in relationship to the Geneva Towers Resident Council.

HUD recognizes and supports the Geneva Towers Resident Council as the only legal and duly elected entity to represent the interests of the residents of Geneva Towers Apartments. Restating their position, HUD is totally committed to working with the Resident Council to create an outstanding social and economic environment for all residents of Geneva Towers.

Hopefully this information will clarify and reinforce the status of the Geneva Towers Resident Council, Geneva Towers Apartments.

Sincerely,
Lucy Y. White, President
Geneva Towers Resident Council

August 20, 1992 Mrs. Lucy White President Geneva Towers Resident Council 222 Schwerin Street, Apt. 216B San Francisco, CA 94134

Dear Mrs. White:

I wish to express my appreciation to you and other members of the Resident Councilfor meeting with Mr. Wilson and our staff, and providing your invaluable advice and insight on the needs of Geneva Towers. To restate our position, we are totally committed to working with the Geneva Towers Resident Council to create an outstanding social and economic living environment for residents of the

Towers. We recognize the Geneva Towers Apartments Resident Council as the legal and duly elected entity to represent the interests of the Geneva Towers residents in the planning, rehabilitation, and reconstruction of Geneva Towers Apartments. Welook forward to an excellent and productive working relationship with the Resident Council to achieve our mutual goals.

We have been informed that you are nearcompletion of your operating budget for your organization and planning activities. I assure you that, upon receipt, our staff will expeditiously process it so that you can pursue your many responsibilities.

Our staff is prepared to assist the Resident Council in whatever manner we can to accomplish our mutual goal of making Geneva Towers a pleasant place to live.

Ifyouneedourhelp or have questions, please contact Henry Dishroom, Director, Housing Management Division, at 556-2240.

Very sincerely yours,
Keith Axtell, Director
Office of Housing
S. F. Regional Office, Region IX
U.S. Department of Housing & Urban
Development

MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL RESIDENTS OF GENEVA TOWERS

FROM: ARTHUR HUTTON, AD-MINISTRATOR

SUBJ: PARKINGSPACEALLOCATION

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 1992

Due to the popularity of the 3P (A Building) parking garage, it has become necessary to advise all residents of the needtocooperate with space allocation.

Parking in the 3P garage is limited to (1) one car per household. Residents needing additional parking are to park in the 2P (B Building) garage. Residents parking more than (1) one vehicle per household in the 3P garage will be towed.

Inoperable vehicles are not to be stored in garages, e.g., unlicensed vehicles, flat tires, no valid parking permit, and wrecked vehicles.

No vehicle maintenance is to be performed on the complex other than that which is outlined in your House Rules.

Anyresident failing to meet the above guidelines risk the possibility of having their vehicle towed.

AHta

cc: Tenant File

October 7, 1992 TO ALL RESIDENTS OF GENEVA TOWERS:

Subject: Geneva Towers Improvement Program

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with an update on the status of HUD's planned Improvement Program and in the process, to dispel any concerns that you may have regarding possible temporary relocation.

1) Since June of 1991, we and HUD have completed a series of tasks, including emergency elevator repairs, interior painting, balcony repairs, installation of new appliances and draperies. These programs are ongoing and will continue wherewarranted.

In addition, many architectural and engineering activities have been occurring. These include structural analysis, testing for as best os and lead, and an evaluation of the heating, electrical and mechanical systems. Information from these studies and tests was critical to the design analysis, which has been taking place.

2) A Master Plan for the overall rehabilitation of Geneva Towers has been completed and submitted to HUD for review and consideration for funding. It calls for repairs and improvements amounting to approximately \$45 million. The essential elements of this Plan have been reviewed in great detail by the Geneva Towers Residents Council in a series of meetings held earlier this year. The Council will present highlights of the

Planto all interested residents in meetings scheduled for next year. Your constructive criticism is welcomed.

3) HUD will soon contract for design drawings and detailed specifications so that the rehabilitation work can begin in the second half of 1993. That work will entail relocation of some apartment walls to create new floor plans, removal of asbestos, installation of an entirely new beating system, new entry ways, a new entryintercom system, a new community room, windscreens, new landscaping, painting of all unit interiors, and modification of interior hallways. This work cannot be conducted while you are in your apartment. It will be necessary to vacate one building at a time -- temporarily moving individuals from, for example, Building B to Building A and back again. Herearesome important facts for you to

youhave the right to remain at Geneva Towers and will be encouraged to do so; there will be no loss of your Section 8 benefits;

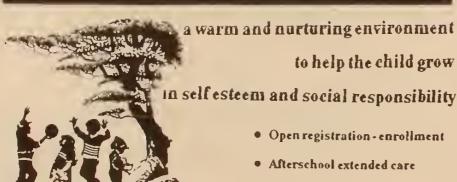
the temporary move within the complexwill be at HUD's expense, not yours; the Relocation Plan -- which is part of the overall Master Plan -- indicates that 95% and possibly more, of the residents can be temporarily relocated within the Towers. It is possible, but not likely, that some families will need to temporarily reside off-site while the work is being done. Those persons will receive Section 8 Vouchers, i.e. the same subsidy benefits

4) While the Master Plan proposal is being reviewed by HUD, it will also be available through Mrs. Lucy White, President of the Geneva Towers Residents Council, and the offices of Mr. Arthur Hutton, Administrator for Geneva Towers. We encourage you to take the time to drop in and review it.

that they now receive at Geneva Towers.

Sincerely, THEJOHNSTEWARTCOMPANY John K. Stewart President

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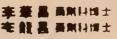
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COME TO CHURCH THIS WEEK.

Garbage Fun Facts

by Maria Hor, Public Outreach Coordinator, San Francisco Recycling

Totalwastetrucked from San Francisco to Altamont Landfill, 60 miles away, every day: 2.6 tons (5.2 million pounds).

Percent of San Francisco's waste stream (byweight) that is paper: 35%.

Plastic: 4%

Glass: 6% Metals: 6%

Organic Waste: 27.5%

Inerts: 10%

Household Hazardous Wastes: 0.5%

All Other: 11%

Number of 26-ton garbage trucks that travelroundtripto the Altamont Landfill, every day: 100.

Number of regular garbage trucks (those that pick up garbage from your curb) on the streets of San Francisco in any

Number of recycling trucks on the streets of San Francisco in any one day:

Percent of total waste generated in San Francisco by residents: 30%

Percent of total waste generated in San Francisco by businesses: 68%

Percent of waste recycled in San Francisco: 35%

Number of recycling centers in San Francisco: 25.

Number of households serviced by one recycling collector in one day: 500.

Number of times glass can be recycled:

Percent of energy saved when making glass from cullet (crashed "used" glass):

Number of years it takes for a glass bottle (in a landfill) to break down: thousands of years.

for a 6-pack plastic ring: 450 years. for an aluminum can: 200-500 years. for a tin can: 100 years.

for a wooden stake: 13 years.

for a newspaper: 4 weeks to 5 years. Between 1986 to 1991, number of landfills opened in U.S.: 364.

number of landfills expanded: 407. number of landfils closed: 2,216.

Number of garbage people working at the Rio Earth Summit convention build-

Amount of waste hauled away from the convention building each day of the Rio Earth Summit: 7 tons (14 million

Of Cars and lawns...

Type of activity responsible for the largest portion of household hazardous waste in a low income neighborhood:

in a middle income neighborhood: bomemaintenance.

in an upper income neighborhood: lawn caring.

Number of gallons of water that would be polluted by dumping one quart of motoroilinthetrash. in the drain or in the storm drain: 250,000.

Number of gallons of motor oil dumped inappropriately by Americans every year: 350 million.

Number of gallons of new oil that can berecoverd from every 100 gallons of old

Percent of San Franciscans interviewed that don't think pesticides pose a greathealthrisk: 44%

Number of pesticide ingredients knownto cause birth defects, cancer, and genemutation: over 100.

Statistics Sources:

City & County of San FRancisco, Solid Waste Generation Study

Final Draft, October, 1992

Recycling Manager, International Development Research Center

The Garbage Project 50Simple Things You Can Do to Save the Earth, the Earth Works Group

Thinking About the Holidays

It's elections on November 3. Turkey on November 26. Holiday shopping on November 26...But Wait! Before you head off to the nearest shopping mall, gatheryour friends and loved ones for an afternoonsession of gift-idea-swapping. "The H for Holidays is H for Hell for me," grumbledmyfriend,Joe Groucher. "First, I gonna rack my brains to come up with a list of special human beings in my life. I'm paralyzed about leaving someone out, bemoaned. Then I have to think up a'someTHING'that embodies the perfect mixture of my feelings towards them and their perceived need or desire. It's tons of pressure,"he concluded.

Yes...the art of giving is indeed an art. Maybel can be of help in suggesting some ideas. Consider the following:

Enroll a soon-to-be parent in a cloth diaper service like Dydee Wash or Tiny

Promotemoving around without a car give MUNI or BART passes, skateboards, roller skates, bicycle accessories, walking shoes.

Promote connections with our Earthgivegardening tools and books, a window sill planter full of herbs, plants, a terrarium, seedlings, a bag of Zoo Doo, plant

foodderived from rhino crap (800) I Luv Doo, etc.

Promote the understanding of our ecosystem: books on flora and fauna, field guides. Some suggested books and

The Environmental Gardner, edited by Janet Marinelli, Brooklyn Botanic Garden (composting xeriscaping and pesticieds).

Beyond the Limits by Donella H. Meadows, Dennis L. Meadows, et al. (how our economic systems work and howourbehaviordetermines our future).

Toxics A to Z by John Hare, Cheryl Holdren, Richard Schneider and Christine Shirley (general reference manual: risk, medical aspects, sources of exposure, specialtreatment of toxics, etc.).

Our Planet Earth by Bullfrog Films, 1-800-543-FROG (a collection of astronauts'recollections; a sweet and eloquent Valentinetoplanet Earth).

Books for KIDs:

My Earth Book by Linda Schwartz Earth Book for Kids by Linda Schwartz

Animal Ecograms by Beverly Armstrong

Supportenvironmentalorganizations look them up in the yellow pages.

Give your friends a subscription of Garbage Magazine (800) 274-9909 an entertaining, practical and informative journal of the environment.

The Utne Reader (612) 338-5040, excerpts of articles on politics, the environment, socialissues from alternative press.

For more ideas on how to spend an ECOnomical and ECOlogical Holiday Season, call the San Francisco Recycling Program Houline, 554-6193 for a copy of the "Holiday ECO Guide".

Last Composting Workshop in 1992!

Here is your last chance to learn how to compostyour fall leaves and pumpkins. Getyoursoilready for the Spring. Come join the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners for a FREE composting workshop on Saturday, November 7, from 10:00 am to noon, at the Garden for the Environment, located at Lawton Street and 7th Avenue in the Sunset District.

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SOME THINGS DON'T BELONG IN OUR GARBAGE CANS

There was a time when household garbage was made up mostly of relatively organic things like table scraps and egg cartons. We cleaned the house with elbow grease, chased flies with flyswatters, and freshened the air by opening the windows. Today we live in a different world. Many of the products we use at home are made with harsh chemicals for fast results. Now we need to think twice about what we put in our garbage cans, because chemical waste from these products can harm our water and cause injury to people and animals.

THE HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS IN YOUR HOME

Just because you bought something at your neighborhood grocery or hardware store doesn't mean it's safe. Everyday products like oven cleaner, chlorine bleach, weed killer, and oil-based paints are hazardous and should be handled with

For example, when ammonia and chlorine bleach are mixed together, toxic fumes are formed that can harm your lungs. This hazardous combination can also occur after the products have been discarded, posing a health hazard to sanitation workers.

The health risks associated with hazardous products don't go away once the trash is taken to the landfill. Containers, even sturdy ones, break when crushed under tons of garbage, potentially releasing toxic substances into our groundwater.

To the extent possible, we should substitute safe products for hazardous household chemicals. When it's necessary to buy products containing hazardous substances, buy only as much as you need and be sure to follow the directions on the labels for proper use, storage, and disposal.

For large spills or other emergencies, call 911. For more information call the San Francisco Household Hazardous Waste Hotline: 554-4333.

USE THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION FACILITY

San Francisco has a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility (HHWCF), operated by Sanitary Fill Company, at 501 Tunnel Avenue near Candlestick Park. Residents of San Francisco may drop off hazardous waste at the facility free of charge. The hours of operation are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FOLLOW THESE IMPORTANT GUIDELINES WHEN COMING TO THE COLLECTION FACILITY:

- · Label all material. Do not mix materials.
- · Make sure all lids are on tightly.
- · If a container is leaking or dirty, wrap it in plastic and pack it in a large container with an absorbant material. Label
- · Pack containers in a sturdy box or tub with newspaper or other absorbant materials and transport in the trunk or rear
- · Asbestos must be bagged in 6 mil. plastic bags (4 heavy garbage bags).
- · Do not transport more than 5 gallons or 50 pounds of hazardous waste in your vehicle. State law strictly prohibits transportation of larger amounts without a license.
- You will be required to show proof that you live in S.F., so be sure to bring valid identification such as a utility bill or
- · When you arrive, stay in your vehicle. Trained personnel will remove the materials from your vehicle for you.

The Facility cannot accept:

- · Hazardous waste from businesses
- · Radioactive materials (such as smoke alarms)
- · Materials that are reactive with water or other substances such as calcium carbide
- Pressurized gas cylinders over 20 pounds

REDUCE TRECYCLE

- Buy only what you need.
- · Read the product label. Choose products with clear directions on how to use. Follow the directions.
- · Buy non-toxics or the least toxic products available.
- · Use re-chargeable batteries which can be used over again.
- · Buy only one general housecleaner rather than a variety of products for each purpose.
- Use the amount specified, Twice as much does not mean twice
- Use if all up. When you use all the product, there is no hazard-ous "waste" to deal with.
- When you can't use it, recycle II. Give extra paints to theater or civic groups, give extra house cleaning or gardening supplies
- Used motor oil, brake and transmission fluids, and antifreeze can be recycled at some gas stations. Call the Household Hazardous Waste Hotilne at 554-3444 for the nearest gas station.

It's up to each of us to help protect our environment by disposing of household hazardous waste properly. Here is a list of steps you can follow for handling hazardous products in your home:

- · Take an inventory of the products stored in your home to identify hazardous substances.
- Use up these products so there is no hazardous "waste."

The best way to protect your home and the environment from hazardous substances is to buy as few as possible in the first place. Here's a list of alternative house cleaning and garden products. Take it with you when shopping and check product labels for low or no toxicity.



Legislation exists to promote more energy-efficient schools

California Public Schools Could Save \$200 MILLION Each Year on Energy and Operating Costs MINNEAPOLIS, SEPT. 28-- Califor-

nia could save an estimated \$200 million eachyear in energy and operating costs if K-12 public schools installed energy managementequipmentandimplemented other energy conservation measures, Honeywellannounced today.

The \$200 million in savings would cover the costs of equipment upgrades and ongoing service. School hudgets would no longer be strained by costly maintenance. In as little as five years, the annualsavings can be redirected to a cademic budgets to fund more than 3,000 teacher salaries, 8,000 new computers and provide school hreakfasts and lunches for 45,000 students - with enough money left over to supply 25,000 classrooms with

"In California and other states, we have the opportunity to save taxpayer dollars and apply those savings to needed programsthatwill enhance our children's educational achievement - while at the same time improving the learning environment in classrooms," said Michael Bonsignore, Honeywell executive vice president and chief operating officer for International, and Home and Building

Control "Resources are too scarce to see funds needlessly wasted when we have a solution at hand."

In California, approximately 23 percent of the state budget goes to education (Bureau of the Census). Moreover, the state faced a hudget shortfall in 1991, which put additional pressure on public schoolhudgets.

Manyschools today face a fiscal crisis, which includes old school huildings, old equipmentand constant maintenance that drainsschool funds. Tight hudgets mean that publics chools frequently cannot afford the types of system remodeling and upgrading necessary for state-of-the-art energy efficiency, which in turn promotes abetterlearningenvironment. This often meanswastedenergyandwastedtaxdollars. Nearly half of U.S. public schools have no energy management program. But these schools could recover more than \$1.85 hillion each year through improved energyefficiency; that's nearly one-sixth of the money spent by the federal government each year for the nation's public

Honeywell offers a "School Services Program"that uses energy and operating savings to pay for needed equipment im-

provements-with no up-front capital expense. Honeywell invests the initial funds for the iprovement project and guarantees that schols can save at least 20 percent each year in energy and opeerational costs. After a specified guarantee period (depending on the size of the project), schools can use surplus funds as they wish -- ultimately funneling the savings back intoacademic budgets. Since 1985, when the program was introduced, Honeywell has guaranteed and delivered energy and operational savings in schools exceeding \$120 million.

Honeywell is a global controls companythat provides products, systems and services for homes and huildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company employs 58,000 people worldwide and had 1991 sales of \$6.2 hillion.

ENERGY AND OPERATING SAVINGS FORMULA FOR CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS

FactualInformation:

4,950,474 students in California public schools, K-12 (1990-91)

Nationalaverage energy cost per studentforschoolyear 1991 according to the Education Research Service in Arlington,

Potential energy savings in public schools: 25 percent (from Schoolhouse in the Red Research for the American Association of School Administrators)

Calculation:

\$163 (national average energy cost per student) multiplied by 4,950,474 (students) equals \$806,927,262 (total school energy cost)

\$806,927,262 multiplied by 0.25 (savings potential) equals:

\$201,731,815 (California's potential

savings if all K-12 installed energy efficientsystems)*

ESTIMATED AVERAGE SCHOOL COST FIGURES

Average California teacher salary: \$39,500 (California Teacher's Associa-DOM)

Average computer cost: \$1,500 to \$2000(Apple Computers and IBM)

Average cost to fund hooks and suppliesperclassroom: \$2,400 (Los.\ngeles Unified School District)

Average cost per meal: \$3 (Los Angeles Unified School District)

*This calculation is accurate to the extent that the national average represents per-studentenergy costs in California.

Tuntex U.S.A. Corporation will be building 600 condominiums south of Candlestick starting later this winter. They have promised that they will require the Architects and Contractors to hire 50% of the workers from the 94134 and 94124 zip codes. Visitacion Valley Community Center and Young Community Developers have been designated to be the agencies to receive applications for jobs.

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sale or transfer of property. If you think this program may benefit you, call for further information at (415) 5868000.

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GRAPEVINE YOUTH SECTION

NOVEMBER 1992

California Kids Say It Best...

If someone offered me a wine cooler, a beer, a cigarette, marijuana or other harmful drug, I would say...

"No thanks. I'd rather kiss a pit bull." Andrea Aranda, grade 7, Vernon Middle School.

"No thanks, I'd rather have three more brothers and two more sisters and eat lima beans." Bradley Ballard, grade 4, Margarita School.

"With you? No thanks. I would rather eat brussel sprouts than take drugs...or eat a Twinkie with gravy." Kenny Cruz, grade 5, El Camino School.

"Alcohol makes you explode!" Candice Holub, grade 7, Serrano Junior High.

"No way, dude. I'd rather eat sushi." Paul Vista, grade 4, Berlyn Avenue School.

Jiro the Japanese Monkey

In 1985, Jiro was born to a tribe of macaquemonkeysinhabiting Saruyama—Mount Monkey—near Kyoto, Japan. Jiro nowlives with his trainer, Taro Murasaki where be sleeps on a futon, eats three vegetarian meals a day—at the Murasaki family table—bas his own pet cat, and batheswith his best friend and trainer Taro Murasaki.

Jiro is an actor, TV star, comedian, commercialendorser, acrobat and one of Japan'stopcelebrities. Jiro is best known in Japan for his many TV appearances; his commercial endorsements of Fuji Film, Sony and Hansei (a Japanese stomach medication). He bacame knnown to American audiences with his parody of President Bush's vomiting episode while dining with Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa in Tokyo last January.

Jiro's theatrical accomplishments were recently be raided when Taro won Japan's 1991 Arts Festival Award given by the Japanese Cultural Agency, a branch of the Ministry of Education for their performance of Yoshitsune, a classic Samurai drama adapted from the famous Japanese civil war saga, "A Tale of Genji." This marks the first time the Ministry has bestowed this prestigious award on a sanumawashi (monkeydancing) act.

Currently, Jiro os preparing to embark on atripto the United States scheduled for August. His tour includes performances of the ancient Japanese art of sarumawashi, where Jiro will star as the youthful prince. The performance will take place in Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall.

While in New York, Jiro will also perform for crowds at New York City schools, children's rebabilitation centers, Central Park and on the streets, where sarumawashibecame a popular Japanese performing art in the 1200s.

The Taroand Jiroduo also are planning a tour of the country with stops in Washington, a car tour of the southwest and a command performance in San Francisco.



Jiro and Taro with the young journalists of the Grapevine, their faculty advisor Mrs. Hale, Principal Vincent Chao, and Mrs. Jill Wynns of the SFUSD Parent Lobby.

SARUMAWASHI: The ancient art of Monkey Training

by Mr. Ci.ao

Jiro, under the guidance of his trainer Taro, did a comic and acrobatics bowfor 435 K-5 students at Visitacion Valley Elementary School and many parents and guests. Due to the beautiful weather, the performance occurred outdoors in the playground. There was also a question and answer period following the show, when the childrens' curiosity was satisfied. We found out, for instance, that Jiro is 7 years old, the mating age for monkeys, and be plans to get married and start a family after his tour of the U.S. He is from a mountain near Kyoto, where the most intelligent and heautiful simians live. Jiro did not do any impersonation of presi-

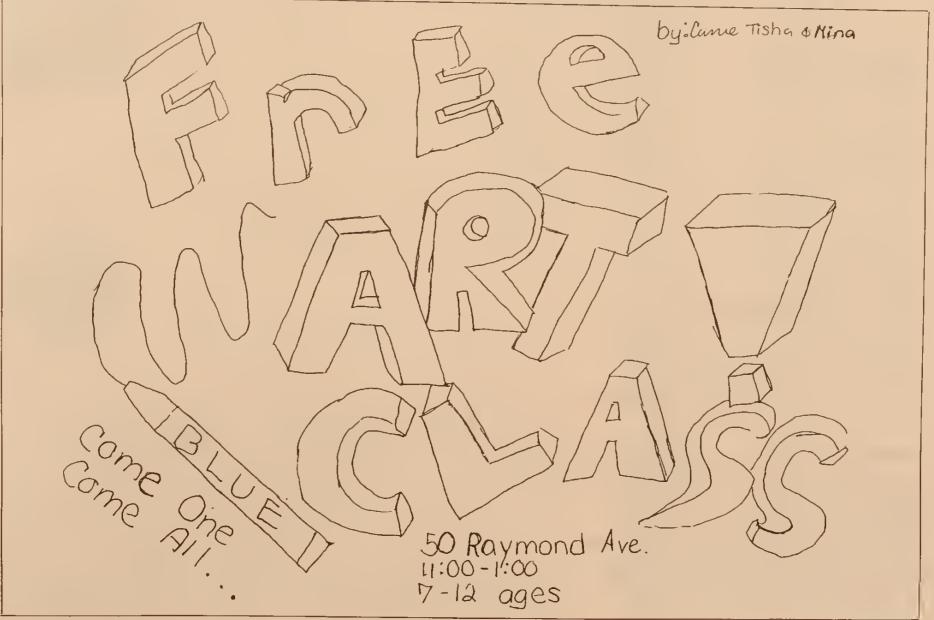
All the students thoroughly enjoyed thisspecial performance, which was made possible thanks to Mr. Tom Gotlieh. Mr. Gotlieh, Chief Financial Officer of the InterPacific Group in San Francisco was Principal-for-a-day at Visitacion Elemen-

tary School last year. He has informally "adopted" our school and has chartered several field trips for our classes to the Discovery Museum in Sausalito since. While hooking Jirofrom Hong Kong for his California debut at the San Francisco Asian Art Museum, he remembered the hoys and girls at Visitacion Elementary School and phoned to offer us this show. This is another tribute to the success of a partnership between the private and public sectors to enhance and enrich the quality of education in San Francisco Public Schools.

JIRO

by Marina

Vis Valley Elemtany school had some special guests Tuesday October 13th. Theywere Jiro the monkey and his trainer Taro. There was an assembly outside in the school yard. Jiro piayed tricks, danced and walked on his hands. He also jumped really far. He was very smart and very funny.





Officer Bruce Robinson, Navy Personal Excellence Program (Treasure Island), with City Attorney Louise Renne and Visitacion Valley Elementary School Principal Vincent Chao.

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Our Painting Story

by Carrie, Tisha Marina and Conchua

This is Vis. Valley Elem. School. This is a picture of Mr. Chao. He is the principal of this school. We asked some people a few questions.

Bill: "The kids at Vis, Valley should understand that this is the place where they will spend most of the day and most of the year at Vis. Valley for the first five years of their twelve years in school.

Therefore it is very important that they take care of their books, desks, class-rooms, and building."

We are going downstairs to the lunchroom. Mrs. Clark, one of the counselors was painting, too. She feels,

"It's kind of fun to see it looking nice.

It's not fun to see catsup and mustard all over the walls in the cafeteria. Don't put food on the cafeteria walls, if I catch you, I'll paint you!"

The girls bathroom is also being painted. We are now in room 17 and it's being painted to. The room is looking very nice. Here are some pictures of Mrs. Leosh. And Mrs. Wong and her husband Glen Wong. There were over 50 people at Vis Valley Elementary school today.



Mrs. & Mr. Wong, Louise Renne and Jill Leosh (Kindergarten Teacher) spruce up the Kindergarten Room.



Counselor Elizabeth Clark, giving instructions to her husband,

Planning for services to Children and Youth for 1993-94



MAYOR'S OFFICE HOLDS PUBLIC INPUT MEETING ON PROP J

The Mayor's Office of Children Youthand their Families will be holding a public meeting in Visitacion Valley (and other neighborhoods) to gather input for the planning process for services to be funded next year through their offices. Proposition J, passed in 1991, requires that a certain percentage of San Francisco property tax money he spent on childrens' services. It also requires that a citizen input planning process be utilized, and these annual meetings will be for that input.

Last year's meeting was held on very short notice, and was attended by about 25 or 30 people. We hope that this year, there will be a good turnout and lots of ideas. Visitacion Valley has one of the highest numbers of children and youth of any neighborhood in San Francisco,

Arts And CRAFTS For Kids

By Tisha Howard

Come one come all on Saturdays to 11am - 1pm there will be Arts and Crfts at Visitation Valley Comunity Center on 50 Raymound ave. There will be lot of fun things to do so come and have fun hurry before you miss out on some good and fun stuff. See you there. From ages 7-12 and a little older. Some of the things that we do is making decorations, and making pictures. It's free so come and don't be late to class.

and the few programs that exist for our kids are woefully underfunded. We need more services and also to expand those that already exist.

The meeting for Visitacion Valley area is scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 1992 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Senior Dining Roomat Visitacion Valley Community Center, 66 Raymond Avenue, San Francisco, CA.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND...OUR CHILDREN NEED YOU!

The phone number for the Mayor's Office of Children Youth and their Families is 554-8990. The Director of the MOCYF is Anthony Lincoln.

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LLAMAS

I cannot think of a higger disappointment than for a traveler to take a threemonth strip in order to photograph his most exciting spot on earth, only to come hack with a tote full of blank film. Such calamity, happened to me on a trip to South America.

I always travel with two cameras - a 35mm for slides and a 16mm movie camera. I favor the movie camera, although I have yet to take movies abroad.

I use my movie camera for single shots, spaced a few inches apart, to be affixed later to a cardboard with two holes to fit my eyes. The result is a collection of three dimensional photographs which I value above all others. Out of one roll of film, I can get six hundred stereos. . . and I ruined

I must have dropped the lens off my movie camera while in Lima, because that was the location of the last photograph. The beauty parade I organized at the beach was not to be seen on film. What I considered the highlight of my trip was never captured for eternity as planned, Cuzco, Machu-Picchu, Lake Titicaca and La Paz became an illusion, a chimera, a wasted trip.

There was only one solution. I was seventy-seven years old and time was running short. I decided to go back.

This time I booked a flight directly to Cuzco, It was an unforgettable experience. Unlike the previous time, I literally fell upon it out of a clear sky.

l left San Francisco at five in the afternoon and landed in Cuzco at noon the next day, thus turning back the clock five hundred years in less than twenty-

After registering at the same hotel, I

immediately walked to the main Plaza. I could not wait to experience the serenity of my surroundings.

It is ironic that Cuzcowas taken from the Incas and destroyed by the Spanish Conquistadors, only to be retaken later from the Spaniards by the Libertadores and given to the Quechuas, descendants of the Incas. It is now strictly an Indian city, with an occasional tourist.

The altoplano around Cuzco is on an average altitude of twelve thousand feet and is mostly pastoral country. The natives raise cattle, sheep and llamas. I came to see the llamas. India has its camels, Thailand its elephants, Mexico its burros and Peru its llamas. They belong to the camel family, although they have no hump. While the camel is a vicious animal, the llama, by contrast, is extremely gentle.

On the train trip from Cuzco to Lake Titicaca, I again had an opportunity to observe the llamas in their natural habitat. I was determined not to fail this

I boarded the train and took a single seat by the window, all keyed up for action. I furtively kept glancing at the rest of the passengers - a notley crowd of men, women and children.

I was the only tourist. We were to spend twelve hours together and I anticipated a pleasant trip. My main interest was the llamas. I did not want to miss them, and I kept on the qui vive.

Suddenly I saw them, not on my side but across the way, through the opposite window.

'Llamas!" I shouted, and I jumped up, lunged across the aisle, crawled over one startled couple and pointed my camera. Too late.

With a sickening smile I apologized. "Llamas, you know!"

They didn't want to know,

Back to my window. Cows and sheep were everywhere, but they did not interest me. Finally, llamas, and on my side this time. Again, I aimed and squeezed the trigger, but the train was moving too fast and I missed.

I sat and waited, watching both sides

at the same time. Now, across the way!

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Then we reached a spot where llamas were on both sides. It was pandemonium. I was trying to be everywhere at the same time and everybody was laughing and shouting and calling me over, each to his own window. It was now or never.

The train was riding smooth and fast, and the llamas were coming and going like a hlur on the horizon. With the excitement of the hunt, I was shooting fast and furious.

Around noon, I noticed that, in unison, everybody was pulling down the shades over their windows.

"What's that for?" I asked.

"Lunch time."

They lowered my shades and made me promise not to peek. After lunch, all the shades went up and we started the same game all over again. I am sure they all had a good time. There was a lot of laughter, they were all hugging each other, and we became unforgettable

We neared the end of our trip as the sun set behind the mountains. I sat back on my seat and relaxed, at ease and thoroughly contented.

A young man approached me and, very politely, he asked, "We are all curious about one thing. How old are

Lake Titicaca

Lake Titicaca. What a romantic name! It is the highest navigable lake in the world. Sitting on top of the Andes. at twelve thousand feet elevation, it is equally divided between Peru and Bolivia - Titi for Peru and Caca for Bolivia, or so say the Peruvians.

It is my favorite spot on earth, an enchanted lake out of a fairy tale, here nothing has changed since the beginning of history. It is the home of the Uros Indians, who live on floating islands scattered throughout the lake.

Reeds, straight and flexible, are forever sprouting in shallow water. A whole way of life is built on these reeds. The Uros gather them in huge quantities and float them together until they are thick and solid enough to form a small island to support them, and their buts which are made of the same material. With these same reeds the build their boats waich are used for tishing and transportation.

Here is where the history making Kon-Titki voyage across the Pacific had its which, together, help create an eerie, antediluvian atmosphere.

The Uros' history goes back seven ousand years without any perceptible cnanges, giving origin to the prediction that such people will retain forever their primitive way of life.

I do not believe that for one moment. Every race has had its Achille's heel. The America Indian was destroyed by as love of liquor. The San Blas Indians of Panama came out of hiding for the love of money.

The Uros are waking up. I saw the changes between my first and second

On my first visit, bashful children would run and hide at my approach. On my return a few months later. I found myself surrounded by a swarm of little fellows chanting, "Paga, paga...Money, топеу..."

They were well rehearsed, and I had a feeling they were imported from the mainland for exploitation.

It is the first step preceding the awakening. WHere money abounds. changes will take place. The first necessity, or luxury, the Uros will be striving for will he the sake of the tourists, but their own transportation will be motorized. That, of course, will be the beginning of the end of an era.

I was in PUNO, on the shore of Lake Titicaca, when I decided to visit the Uros before more occur. Early in the morning I walked to the pier where excursion boats headed for the islands depart every few hours. They line up like taxis and pull out whenever they established number of passengers.

I stepped into the forward boat which already contained five eager and excited tourists. While waiting, we got acquainted - a French coupie, two German ladies and a young Canadian. Being the only one who could speak Spanish plus their multiple languages, and having been to the islands before, as I made sure to tell them. I took charge of the expedition.

"When are we leaving?" I asked the

As soon as I have eight passengers." We chatted and waited. Within half an hour an American couple joined us. The captain disappeared.

He came back twenty minutes later with a couple in tow.'

"Okay, now. Let's go!" Was his reply. "I am waiting for two more." Was his

"You said you wanted eight and we are now ten, so let's go."

He wouldN't budge.

"Two of you will have to get off," he said. "This boat is only safe for eight

"I'll get into the next boat," I insisted. "I don't like this captain, anyway." ! jumped off with the last couple.

Then the remaining passengers started pleading.

"Please, don't leave us; stay with us. We love you!"

I never felt so loved in so many languages before, but I was adamant.

"Somebody had to give this greedy captain a lesson. Let him go with seven."

The captain was unyielding and so

I walked up and down the pier, realizing my stupidity and stupor.

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They Were San Franciscans

PETER DONAHUE

Sbeer determination was the key to success for a struggling young machinist named Peter Donahue. Born in Glasgow, Scotland on January 11, 1822, he emigrated from his homeland to the East Coast of the United States, eventually voyaging by ship westward.

When word of the gold rush finally got to him at a South American port, he immediately sailed north to the Bay Area, arriving in Sann Francisco in Late spring of 1849.

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Donahue immediately channeled his enterprising nature into a blacksmith shop on Montgomery St., the first of many successful business ventures eventually earning him the honor as "father of California Industry."

To provide the City with better illumination at night, he organized in 1852 the San Francisco Gas Company, first of its kind on the Pacific Coast, and

a forerunner of today's Pacific Gas and Electric Compant.

In 1861, he started the Omnibus Street Railroad, San Francisco's first streetcar line, to give the City a better transportation option.

In the meantime, his modest little blacksmith shop had grown into the Union Iron Works, a predecessor to the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation. From its yards came the first printing press and railroad locamotive built in California, and the first west coast government ship. Donahue's untimely death on November 26, 1881 at the age of 59 evoked a wave of sadness amongst the City's businessmen, but it was with great pride six years later that sculptor Douglas Tilden unveiled the Mechanics' Fountain at the corner of Bush, Battery and Market Sts. in honor of one of the City's greatest pioneer achievers, greatest pioneer achievers.

Donahue St., located in the San Francisco Naval Sbipyard, is named in his remembrance.

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Nov 1: In 1853, the short-lived Daily Evening News was started by C. Bartlett and F. W. Pinkham.

Nov. 2: In 1853, the Daily California Chronicle (no relation to today's San Francisco Chronicle) was commenced by Frank Soule and Co. In 1854, Washington St. between Dupont (now Grant Ave.) and Kearny Sts. was paved with cobblestones.

Nov. 3: In 1919, Crissy Field, an airstrip located at the northern end of the Presidio, was officially dedicated.

Nov. 4: In 1854, construction was completed on a lighthouse for Al-

Nov. 6: In 1862, a direct telegraph line was established cross-continent between San Francisco and New York.

Nov. 9: In 1848, San Francisco's first post office was established on ClayStreet.

Nov. 11: In 1924, the Palace of the Legion of Honor was dedicated. In 1931, cornerstones were laid for both the Veteran's Building and the Opera House on Van Ness Ave. in the City's Civic Center. In 1957, demolition began on the cable car barn at California and Hyde Sts., longtime headquarters for the California St. Railway Company which was absorbed by Muni in 1952. In 1959, demolition began on Seals Stadium, home field of the Pacific Coast League's San Francisco Seals since 1933. Located at the corner of 16th and Bryant Sts., the stadium hosted the newly transplanted San Francisco Giants for two seasons during the construction of Candlestick

Park.

Nov. 12: In 1852, work commenced on the "first magnetic telegraph line" in California. In 1854, the Daily Town Talk was established by William H. Mantz and Co., which charged its subscribers one bit (12-1/2 cents) per week. In 1936, after more than three years of construction, the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge was opened to traffic.

Nov. 15: In 1941, the first Grand National Livestock Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo began as the first event at the newly constructed Cow Palace.

Nov. 17: In 1853, municipal legislation authorized street signs to be placed at cross streets.

Nov. 18: In 1848, the California Star, first newspaper published in San Francisco, resumed publication under Edward C. Kemble after a two month suspension. Having absorbed the Californian, a transplanted Monterey weekly and first newspaper to be published in California, the newspaper was now called the Star and Californian. Its name soon changed to the Alta California. In 1936, Golden Gate Bridge construction crews joined the two growing sections of the main span.

Nov. 21: In 1910, ground was broken for a temporary S.F. City Hall on Market St.

Nov. 22: In 1935, transpacific airmail service commenced between San Francisco and Manila in the Philippine Islands on Pan American Airways.

Nov. 26: In 1868, a field at the corner of Folsom and 25th Sts. hosted San Francisco's first organized baseball game.

Nov. 27: In 1978, San Francisco and the nation were shocked when both Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk were assasinated at City Hall by Dan White, a one-time beroic City firefighter and police officer. White bad resigned bis post as an S. F. supervisor several days earlier.

Mayors of San Francisco

THOMAS SELBY

As did many a forty-niner during the gold rush, 29 year old Thomas H. Selby journeyed westward from his native New York to seek a fortune. Born on May 14, 1820, the young businessman had the grave misfortune of witnessing his once prosperous mercantile business dwindle into debt, enough for him to close shop and seek a renumeration of funds to reimburse his creditors.

Upon landing in San Francisco during the summer of 1849, Selby took note of the many new wood-framed buildings which were frequent targets of fires set by rival bands of thugs. He soon erected in July, 1850 one of the first brick buildings in San Francisco, housing his T.H. Selby and Company.

Business thrived, and with the thought of returning east all but forgotten, he soon organized the Selby Smelting and Lead Works, a fixture for many years on the City's north shore.

Selby also served as an alderman since 1851, and the connections he made in both business and politics soon made him a sought after mayoral candidate for the emerging Republican

Party.

Reluctant to add San Francisco's top post to his list of accomplishments, he nevertheless agreed to challenge the somewhat staid administration of incumbent Frank McCoppin, and with the help of a little journalistic thrashing aimed at the mayor by an unforgiving bunch of newspaper columnists, was able to defeat his political opponent by little more than 100 votes.

Selby took office as San Francisco's 13th mayor on December 6, 1869, stating he would serve only one two-year term, eventually donating a year's salary to several charities.

During his administration. Selby addressed the usual curriculum of a post-Civil War growing city, such as the paving of streets and the acquisition of an ample municipal water supply. As San Francisco expanded westward, he signed legislation transferring the site of Yerba Buena Cemetery at the corner of McAllister and Larkin Sts. to a local commission for the construction of a new city hall.

After leaving office in late 1871, Selby returned to overseeing his businesses fulltime, but died suddenly on June 9, 1875 at the age of 55. Adjacent to Highway 280 in the Bayview district is Selby St., named in his honor.

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Something's Happening in the Valley at Valley Baptist by Jon E. Smith

Valley Baptist Church has been a fixture in this community for many years. However, many are not aware of the wide variety of educational, relational, and spiritual opportunities that are available there. Valley Baptist is a church that is concerned about its community. Currently, they have been sponsoring a tutoring program for middle school children in our local public school. Additionally, they are sponsoring a parents support group for the parents of school age children which will be meeting once a month beginning near the first of Noveber. Valley also hosts a weekly "Youth Late Night" event foryouth to hangout in a safe place off the streets. If you are a high school youth you are welcome to join our youth for a time offunandfellowship every Friday from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m. at the church. Children ranginginage from second to fifth grades are also welcomed to a weekly Friday nightactivity at the church starting at 5:30

Valley not only reaches out to the children in the community but also to adults through several weekly Bible study and fellowship times. We are hosting a banquet for Seniors at Geneva Towers on November 25. If you are interested feel free to call the church for details at 467-6055. Valley Baptist is a eeking to reach out to the entire family. Wewant to hear from you. We are striving to be the church that meets your needs in the community!

SILENT AUCTION TO BENEFIT BLIND

The Rose Resnick Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired will hold its annual Silent Auction on Thursday, December 10, at the Kensington Park Hotel, 450 Post Street, San Francisco. Ticket price of \$40 per person includes complimentary hors d'oeuvres, the silent auction, a three-course dinner with wine, entertainment and a live auction. Hosts for the event will be Terry Lowry, KGO-Radio, and Fred LaCOsse, LaCosse Productions.

Items for bid include luxury hotel and resort stays, SFB Nutcracker and Giants tickets, gourmet dinners, cooking classes at Judith Ets Hokins, a "Snoopy" cartoon autographed by Charles Schultz, art objects, fine wines, jewelry, antiques, sports items, an autographed Robin Williams poster, a dinner party for 500 with DJ music, gift certificates and much more.

Proceeds from the auction support tehabilitation services for blind, visually impaired and physically handicapped neonle

The evening, which will feature Christmas Carols and decorations, is the perfect place to do your Christmas shopping. This event is a sell-out, so makeyour reservations now! Mail your check to Rose REsnick Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 1299 Bush Street, San Francisco 94109. (415) 441-1980.

Empowerment Workshop

There will be a community workshop entitled "Breaking the chains of substance abuse: stop enabling the addict", one of a series funded, in part, by the Neighborhood Empowerment Program of the San Francisco Mayors Office. The workshop will be held November 5, 1992 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Geneva Towers "A" building. The workshop is free of charge, and organizers LaVaughn King and Brenda McClendon urge you to come, and bring a friend. For information, please call LaVaughn at 992-3590 or Brenda at 647-9235.

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WHAT'S DOING IN THE PARKS

Saturday, October 31

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. -- Safe, Fun Halloween Activities for Children at the Randall Museum. Celebrate with a Costume Parade, Halloween Themed Games, Trick or Treat Bag Decorating, as well as ghoulish rummage and book sale with proceeds benefitting the museum, 199 Museum Way off Roosevelt Way on Corona Heights, for information call Tuesday - Friday 554-9600.

11 a.m. -- Free Strawberry Hill Tour. Meet at Park Map between Japanese Tea Garden and DeYoung Museum. Tour teaches history of Music Concourse. Stow Lake and Strawberry Hill areas, a hearty walk for 90 minutes, for information call Friends of Recreation & Parks at 750-5105.

1 p.m. -- Pumpkin Carving Workshop. \$2/person, under eight must be with adult, sign-ups begin at 12:30, Randall Museum, 199 Museum Way off Roosevelt Way on Corona Heights, for more information, call 554-9600 Tuesday - Friday.

1:30 p.m. -- Around the World of Plants, free docent tour, Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens, near 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way, Golden Gate

6 - 9 p.m. -- "Nightmare on Geary Street" Haunted House (October 29, 30, 31). Admission \$1 for 7 - 18 yrs. \$2 over 18 yrs. not recommended for children under 7 yrs., Hamilton Teen & Recreation Center, Geary & Steiner Streets, for information call 292-2008.

10a.m. - 4 p.m. -- Art Show, Saturday and Sunday, Artists Guild of San Francisco, Hoover Redwood Tree, west of 19th Avenue & on King Drive, Golden Gate Park.

Sunday, November 1

8 a.m. - 6 p.m. -- Chilean Cultural Festival. Enjoy music, food and beverages. Admission \$2/adults, \$1/seniors, children free, S.F. County Fair Bldg Auditorium, 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way, Golden Gate Park, for more information, call 564-6917.

9:30 a.m. - 12 noon -- Slide Ranch: A Time for Toddlers. Half-day program for families with very young children (six and under). Milk the goats, spend time with chickens, turkeys, ducks and rabbits, and finish the day with picnic lunches in the garden. Strollers do not work well on the uneven terrain. \$10/adults, \$6/children under five, free/children under two. Meet at the parking lot two miles past Muir Beach on Highway One. Reservations required; call 381-6155.

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Dia de los Muertos. In Mexico there is a celebration called Day of the Dead. Families celebrate the memory of their loved ones by decorating their graves, making altars, having feasts, and joining in a procession to the cemetery. Bay Area Discovery Museum, East Fort Baker. Call 332-9646.

1 p.m. -- The Golden Gate Park Band, conducted by Robert Hansen, will perform a free concert at the Music Concourse, Golden Gate Park.

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. — Women on the Presidio. In celebration of women's history month, we will explore the lives of women on U.S. Army posts, like the Presidio - past and present - with a look towards the future. Meet Park Ranger Theresa Griggs at the flagpole in front of the Officer's Club at the Main Post. Reservations required; call 556-0865.

Monday, November 2

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. -- Print Spotting Techniques, 3 sessions, Learn to enhance photographicwork through print spotting, cost \$20, Photography Center, Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Bldg, 50 Scott Street, for more information, call 554-9522 Tues.-Thu. 3 - 10 p.m. or Friday/Saturday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3

10 a.m. - Noon -- Chinese Brush Painting - Session II: November 3 - December 1, Registration Fee: \$10 per session (payable to S.F. Recreation & Park Dept.) Class Fee \$22 per session (payable to instructor), Sharon Art Studio, Bowling Green Drive, Golden Gate Park, for more information, call 753-7006.

33-7006. Wednesday, November 4

3:30-5:30 p.m. -- Holiday giftmaking (3 sessions), ages 8 - 11, instructed by Cyndy Sugawara, \$25 payable to instructor, Sharon Art Studio, Bowling Green Drive, Golden Gate Park, for more information, call 753-7006 or 753-7004.

Thursday, November 5

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Take a Magical Ride on Golden Gate Park's enchanting Carrousel, Children's Playground, southeast corner, Adults \$1, Children - 25 cents (39° and over up to 12 years), Children free if under 39° and accompanied by a paying adult.

Friday, November 6

kkk4-5:30 p.m. -- Glass Fusing Class for Teens 12 - 15 years, must be repeat Fusing student or have taken basic Leaded Glass, cost is \$25, Sharon Art Studio, Bowling Green Drive, Golden Gate Park, for more information, call 753-7006 or 753-7004.

7-9 p.m. – Free Drop-In Teen Volleyball, ages 13-16, Hamilton Teen & Recreation Center, also check out special Friday Night Fun Program for upcoming activities for Teens, Geary & Steiner Sts., for information call 292-2008.

Friday, November 13

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Candlelight Tour of FOrt Point. Hear tales of soldiers, lighthouses and San Francisco History. Explore gun turrets and artillery casemates. Dress warmly. Reservations required: 556-1693.

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. -- Ocean Beach: Beach Party Campfire. Join a ranger for a 1-1/2 hour program to enjoy the beach, the waves, and the night. Bring warm sweaters and marshmallows. Meetat Lincoln Highway and the Great Highway. Call 556-8642.

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The Society Page



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Mr. Wong and Mrs. Josetta Williams checking the sign-up list for the Paint Day project at Visitacion Valley Elementary School.



Mr. & Mrs. Glen Wong. Mrs. Wong is a VVES staff member.



Mr. Steven Uu, parent of a former student of VVES.



Mrs. Jackie (Loo) Gack, mother of Robert & Scott, cleaning paint off the floor. Like the sunshine, she's everywhere!



Community College Board member, Dr. Bill Marquis, painting up a storm...a versatile man.



E. J. Smith with son, Michaelangelo; Greg Hansford with Earl Smith and Barbara Sperring, Teacher in Room 104... some enthusiastic clowning for our cameras.



Officer Dina Bonilla, U.S. Navy Personal Excellence Program, a Visitacion Valley resident; assisted Officer Robinson the day of the Painting Project

Please send your announcements, invitations, photos, greetings, and other social items, whether hi-brow, low-life, serious or silly, to the GRAPEVINE, c/o VVCC, 50 Raymond Ave., San Francisco, CA 94134, or call 467-6400.